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To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: T. HORIE et al (SEE ATTACHED)

For:
ANSWER SYSTEM FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT,
AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT METHOD

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 16 Sheets of Drawings
- ☐ This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.
- ☐ Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2000-038031
filed February 9, 2000. ☒ A certified copy is attached herewith.
- ☒ Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and
☒ discussed in the specification or ☒ attached Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
- ☒ Specification: Abstract ☒, Description 39 pages; and 21 claim(s).
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ Executed Declaration.

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